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An Unheralded Growth

FIGURES compiled by the Oregon State Chamber of Commerce and just released for publication reveal the fact that Oregon is experiencing a steady growth, both in population and in wealth.

During the month of August 100 new families located in the state and this increase in population added \$406,851.25 in new wealth. That many of these newcomers are genuine homeseekers is proved in the statement that 6901 acres of land were bought.

Compared with 1928 there is a decided gain this month in number of families and investment, although about 40 per cent more land was bought by newcomers in August last year.

For the first 8 months of 1929 there is a noticeable increase in all three figures. Since January 1, 1929, 487 families have invested \$1,899,426.25, and bought 28,462 acres of land. During the same period of 1928 241 families invested \$1,056,212, and bought 21,722 acres of land.

Since the beginning of the land settlement work July 1, 1923, to the present time, 3,995 families have invested \$16,866,659.75 and have bought 142,492 acres of land. The land settlement bureau has mailed out 210,190 letters and 274,012 pieces of literature. Through this effort the bureau has the assurance that 4,368 families are coming to Oregon and have \$11,758,548 to invest.

These are not big figures when compared to some of the booms that have been staged in other parts of the country. They merely bear witness to the fact that Oregon's resources and matchless climate are appealing to people of the middle western and eastern states. Many of those coming to the state in recent years have found nothing misrepresented and they in turn have joined the ranks of the state's boosters and are writing relatives and friends back home to dispose of their property and come here to live.

There has been nothing of a boom about this growth. There is no organized real estate ballyhoo or inflation of prices. The land settlement bureau has been conducting a quiet and effective campaign the result of which has been highly satisfactory. A boom doubtless would bring the people and money faster but the present system will bear no ill fruits.

The work of the land settlement bureau under the able direction of W. G. Ide should have the united support of every section of the state. Some communities may grow a little faster than others, but in the long run the state as a whole will gain materially from the new people and wealth added. Remember that when an appeal comes for support for this important work.

Religion In New Books

MORE persons are interested in reading about religion than is commonly supposed, judging by the statistics of the book publishing trade. Figures compiled by its national association show that of the 7614 books published in 1928, volumes on religious subjects stood second on the list. Their number was exceeded only by those devoted to fiction.

Books on the subject of religion rarely figure in the records of the "best sellers" and literature of this type normally makes its appeal only to readers of a special type. The fact that religious publications bulk so large in the year's reading output will surprise most persons. Works of fiction last year reached a total of 1185, while 766 were classified as religious. Biography claimed 640 titles, and 634 were children's books. Drama and poetry were almost as popular as biography, with 595 titles, while science, travel, economics and education found places low on the list.

Perhaps the biographies have been more talked about than any other group, unless it be the mystery tales which seem to be enjoying greater vogue than ever just now. Readers of religious books apparently talk less about the volumes that interest them, but that their interest is active there seems no doubt.

EDITORIALS

From Over the Nation

National Air Academy
Time: The U. S. army has a National Military Academy at West Point, N. Y. The navy has a National Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md. Why not a National Aviation Academy under a Federal department of aeronautics?

Aeronautics, William B. Ziff's aviation monthly published in Chicago, recently printed the idea as a corollary of Col. William Mitchell's revived demand for a department of aeronautics. The National Aviation Academy might be located at some mid-continent point remote from possible boundary invasions. To it congressmen might nominate candidates who would get a four-year training in mechanics, piloting, tactics, strategy. Graduates would be able to move in as an independent force, instead of as auxiliaries to army or navy groups.

This idea published, Aeronautics waited for public comment. Recently it announced honestly: "So far nothing has materialized."

except a notable expression of sympathy from a large share of the daily press, and a few of the usual large gestures from those who profess to believe that the present hodgepodge is the noblest possibility of our great democracy.

Publisher Ziff, Editor Harley W. Mitchell and Contributor Col. Mitchell know, however, that the secretaries of the various government departments which now have aeronautic subdivisions, are not opposing an eventual department of aeronautics or a National Aviation Academy.

Edward Pearson Warner, one-time (1926-28) assistant secretary of the navy for aeronautics, now editor of Aviation, leading air weekly, said last week: "That probably will eventually become desirable, but it would be unwise while the air force remains interlocked with the army and navy as closely as now seems advisable. In another ten or twenty years the outlook may change greatly."

TIMELY QUOTATIONS FROM PEOPLE IN THE PUBLIC EYE

"There is no young man nor grown man living who cannot do more than he thinks he can."
—Henry Ford.

"I dare say that in no country of the western world are men so isolated from the world of women as in America today."
—Mrs. Sinclair Lewis. (Pictorial Review.)

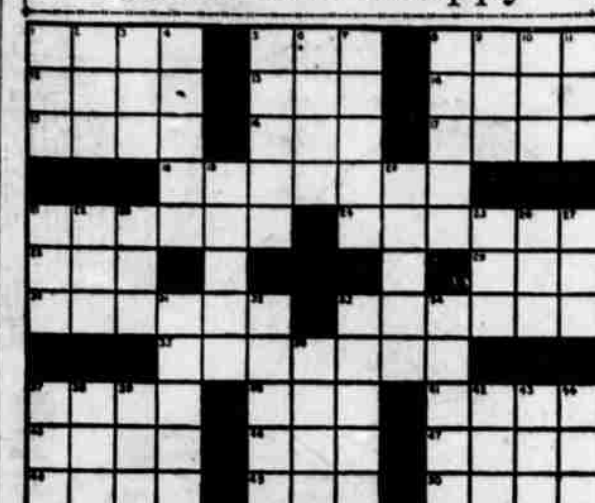
"Reality is the deepest demand of this age, despite prevalent materialism."
—Dr. E. Stanley Jones.

"Thousands of educated people do very little thinking."
—William Lyon Phelps. (Delineator.)

"By love and not by hate is the soul of man developed to its greatest possibilities."
—George W. Wickersham. (Century.)

"Matrimony is not a word—it's a sentence, with hard labor in most cases."
—Canon Frederick G. Scott.

Short and Snappy



HORIZONTAL
1 Sour. 20 Argument. 3 Liqueur. 4 Lukewarm. 5 To concede as true. 6 Vessel.
VERTICAL
1 To quote. 2 Spigot. 3 Spine. 4 To strike. 5 To strike. 6 To strike.

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER
1 ADD. 2 ANA. 3 ERA. 4 REP. 5 AMEND. 6 PER. 7 C. 8 SCEPTIC. 9 M. 10 ORBIT. 11 GUSTO. 12 NAUT. 13 DUD. 14 BOON. 15 INN. 16 CONIC. 17 TEA. 18 SHEERED. 19 ALABIES. 20 TAILOR. 21 RABBIT. 22 SNORE. 23 PETERS. 24 PETTED.

CIRCUS PARADE THING OF PAST

Because of the continually increasing size of the Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey Combined shows, the managing directors have again been obliged to eliminate the usual street parade.

"It was a case of continuing to eliminate this feature or being obliged to reduce the size of the show," said one of the advance agents today, "so the parade is still absent and now we are able to present an even bigger circus than that which toured America in 1928. There are now five herds of performing elephants instead of three, and three additional troupes of trained horses. This immense aggregation of performing animals occupies 22 specially designed railway cars. A corps of more than 60 trainers and assistants who accompanied the animals to this country, attend them."

Several hundred performing horses are presented on the great new program of 1929. Two hundred of these thoroughbreds, each ridden by an expert, are exhibited at one time in a marvelously beautiful Equine Ballet. Another display presents five big troupes of liberty horses. These are performed simultaneously, three companies in the regular rings and two in rings improvised for the purpose on the steel structured stages. The latter is an absolute innovation never before attempted under the "big top."

"That there may be room for the added facilities and yet retain all the rings and stages heretofore used in presenting the human side of the performances, it has again been necessary to enlarge the main tent. Thus everything is bigger—everything heavier—harder to handle than in 1928."

"There can be no time for a street parade. The immensity of the new circus requires every hour of the morning and all the people of the show to get in place."

Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey will exhibit here Saturday, August 31.

NINETY PENS RABBITS SHOWN

More than 90 pens of rabbits will be on display at the county fair this year, it was stated last night. L. V. Harvey of the American Blue Rabbitry will be in charge of the displays. Many colors of the bunnies will be shown. The rapidly developing industry is becoming one of the most important of the minor businesses of the county. Judge for this division is Hal E. Osborn of Portland, a renowned breeder and judge of rabbits. He is known throughout the United States for his work.

The Egyptian scarab is the commonest luck charm.

DAILY LETTER ON AFFAIRS AT U. S. CAPITAL

Pity the Poor Senator! They Have Got to Get Up at 8 a. m. for White House Breakfasts. Can't Vote in Secret and Then There's the Tariff Hagaboo.

By RODNEY DUTCHER
NEA Service Writer

WASHINGTON, Aug. 30.—The members of the United States Senate have always professed to be just a little bit better persons than any other persons, but there certainly have been times when their claims were often open to question.

Now, says Senator J. Boonboom McWhorter, there isn't any more doubt about it. A senator has to get himself up as a model of probity or he is very soon out of luck. McWhorter is rather plaintive in his comments. One gets the idea that he believes senators ought to be left entirely on their honor—that is, that they ought to have the opportunity to decide for themselves whether or not they want to behave.

"Take," says Senator McWhorter, "this vicious custom of White House breakfasts. I can remember when an invitation to breakfast at 8 o'clock in the morning would have been an insult in this town. The ordinary member of Congress would demand to know why his sleep was to be broken up right in the middle of it. But now whenever the president has anything important to talk about he invites people around for breakfast and they have to go."

Means Early Bedtime
"How is anybody going to be able to stay out all night if he has to get to the White House by 8 o'clock? All would be well if you merely had to show up and say 'Present!', but you're supposed to have a lot of bright ideas about complicated subjects. Anybody knows it's hard enough to have bright ideas on any subject at 8 a. m., let alone after a late poker party. Being prominent here simply means an early bedtime."

"Once we used to have a little secrecy in the Senate. Whenever a statesman or several statesmen decided that they could do their constituents more good in the long run by voting against their best interests on a single occasion, we could go right into executive session and there would be no need of embarrassing explanations. We could put our feet up on the desks and smoke at these sessions, too. But now whenever we vote in supposedly secret session some scoundrel goes and prints the roll call and they're talking about abolishing these comfortable sessions altogether."

"It's got so bad around here that whenever you want a man appointed to office now you have to take one who has some qualifications."

"Goodness knows there are plenty of fine fellows in the country who have worked very hard for their party and who ought to be rewarded, not just because of their political work, but because they are such fine and deserving citizens. But the president of the United States has got an idea that candidates for federal judgeships and other posts should come well recommended and is even going so far as to bolster up his nominations with lists of the people who support them."



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"Eventually we will be voting on the tariff and the Maker of us all only knows how many of us will be able to vote as we want to vote. Much as it may hurt, we've simply got to be noble."

"Until the last two or three years nobody ever questioned the personal habits of a dry senator. Now everybody jumps on him if he has any personal habits at all. It's got so a senator can't express himself on paper any more. There's Senator Gould of Maine who wrote to a grape juice company to compliment them on the fine wine he had made out of their grape juice. Now the Anti-Saloon League promises to deprive him of his job."

"Sometimes I long for the good old days when we had some real scandals around here. The trouble with having a virtuous president without any human weaknesses is that the rest of us have to be virtuous, too."

GUN FIGHT GETS TRIO
TULSA, Okla., Aug. 30 (AP)—Dick Gregg, Oklahoma bank robber and two Tulsa police officers were killed today in a gun fight in the outskirts of Tulsa. Gregg was sought in connection with the robbery of the Peoples' State Bank at Wichita, July 26.

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